ERIES & ANSWERS.

Operations of the Confederate Ram Albermarie in Albermarie Sound.

THE FOURTH ESTATE."

Pass"-Free Garden Seeds-Celored Poetess, &c.

e Editor of the Dispatch: and you be kind enough to inform her of your paper in what year the enc-Apple church was destroyed by

Rardening Lard. STORMY CREEK, VA. Editor of the Dispatch: e any process by which the lard gs fattened exclusively on pea-be hardened? P. NUT.

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not understand the question,

Pronunciation of Faust.

RICHMOND, VA. Elltor of the Dispatch; give the correct pronunciation and oblige,
A SUBSCRIBER.

start" is probably as near as the gand tongue can get to it. Free Garden Seed Wanted.

Pilitor of the Dispatch:

kindly inform me to whom from the Agricultural Depart-Washington, D. C.? SUBSCRIBER.

A Colored Poetess. Ellior of the Dispatch: orro slave owned in America Wheatley. She was brought ss., to Mrs. Wheatley, from took her American name. She carned to read and write, England, and published thirty-nine

Christmas Cards.

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as and Driving Over Sidewalks.

please tell me if there is a ewalks of this city, which J. W.

wagon, cart, dray, or other n a sidewalk, unless across iri thereof as is or shall be at time paved with stone or flagging.

No. 2400 Carrington Street. RICHMOND, VA. of the Dispatch:

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de street, and, therefore, the arrington street, if Carrington

The Fight in Albermarle Sound. Editor of the Dispatch: give me through the columns of

per the day and date that the marie fought the Federal tenant-Commander Charles W. arle, Commander James W.

West. U. S. N., by the Confederate Cooke, C. S. N., at Plymouth, N. C., sinkinc of the Southfield and death of Flusser; telesat of the Mlami, Ceres, and White-May 5, 1864; Action between Mattabe-Commander John C. Febiger, U. S.

Sassacus, Lieutenant-Commander F. Ros. U. S. N., and other vessels un-Captain M. Smith, U. S. N., and the an Altemarie, Commander James W.

Editor of the Dispatch:

L kindly let me know what is meant the "demonstration of silver"? What as the status of silver previous to the and when it is current and legal-

r was ever formally demonstized by Tess, we quote Spofford as follows: us now turn to the first steps the United States towards the Ezation of silver." (Page 338-1878.) oun we quote Spofford: act of February 12, 1873, did not

demonstize the silver dollar. It following provision: an coins, either of gold, silver, ther coinage shall hereafter be issued the mint other than those of the

antions, standards, and weights in page 244 Spofford says:

teir (the old silver dollars) demone-ton was accomplished by the Re-Statutes enacted by Congress June

shall be a local tender in all payments— at their nominal value. The silver coins of the United States shall be a legal tender at their nominal value for any amount not exceeding five dollars in any one payment." (Revised Statutes of the United States, sections 3556, 3586.)

that silver has been fully remonetizeduntil provision has been made for the free coinage of that metal.

shall be deemed guilty of a trespass, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$50, and in on thereto shall be liable in action for damages.

To the Editor of the Dispatch

Wedding Suits.

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At a full-dress evening wedding is it customary for the groom to wear the same style of coat as the ushers wear, or does he have it cut to suit himself? T. M. B. At a full-dress evening wedding the groom, groom-men, and ushers should invariably wear dress-suits. If the coat of the groom, being new, should be a little different from the style of those of the attendants, it will make no material difference, but all should be what are styled "dress-suits."

The Shortest Day.

RICHMOND, VA.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Please state which is the shortest day in the year. By so doing you will greatly oblige

The day of the winter solstices, which is usually December list, is theoretically the shortest, but the motion of the sun in declination is so slow about that time that practically the day's length does not vary by as much as a minute from say December list to December 29th. Each of these fifteen days is given the same length in the almanac. In Richmond this long'th is nine hours and thirty-live minutes.

Check with pleasure, we think, by scores of "old institute giris" all over the countury.

They reach Richmond late the next night, but remain in the sleeper lill morn, arriving at Hammor College for breakfast.

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The Fourth Estate. To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Please give the origin of the allusion "the fourth estate." (1) You would seem to imply from the elipping enclosed that it is of English origin. (2.) Is it not of French origin, and from the Revolution? Prior to that period the government of Prance "Fight senerals," comprised three France "Etate generaux" comprised threestates, the Revolution brought in "fourth"—the people. How the expres-sion came to be applied in England I do not know. I ask you to tell us. 6.) do not know. I ask you to tell us. G.)
Did not Disraeli first use it when he
turned to the gallery of the House of
Commons and said: "There is the fourth
estate," and in this country it has been commonly applied to the "press" (7. meaning in both instances "the people." INQUIRER. (From the Dispatch.)

It is an error, of course, to speak of newspaper men as the "fifth estate." "The fourth estate" is the title that has accorded them in England. have many holdings in lands, tenements, and hereditaments, but be cause they speak for the people, the source of all earthly power. The other three of all earthly power. The other three estates, in England, are the lords spiritual and temporal, and the commons. sponds to the commons and our senators to the lords temporal. The lords spiritual we haven't at all, unless we classify the editors of the religious papers under that

1. Yes, so it is, as applied to the press. The following definition is from the Standard Dictionary: "Fourth estatethe newspaper press, so designated humorously as a distinct power in the State;

some countries is, or has been, divided with respect to political rights and powers. In modern times this division has been into nobility, clergy, and people (now in Great Britain, lords temporal and estates. Formerly in France a legislative assembly representing the three estates. called the States General, was summoned revolution of 1789." • • • • "The Fourth Estate (10): A name for the lowest classes of society, as the artisans, servants, day laborers, &c., as distinguished from the third estate or commons; the projectariat. A name humorously given in trecent times to the newspaper press, or the body of journalists, as constituting a power in the State distinct from that of the three recognized political orders." of the three recognized political orders."

3. We do not think that Disraeli was the first to apply it to the press, our recollection is that it had been so used long before Disraeli's time—possibly by long before Disraeli's time—possibly by lattor. This can be effected when our lattor. This can be effected when our lattor. Burke. It is almost certain, however, that this term as a designation of the press had its origin in England. In France the press has never been the suit of life, and create tribunals with suit of life, and create tribunals with suit of life, and create tribunals with suit of life, and create tribunals with

A Sum in Arithmetic. To the Editor of the Dispatch :

A, B, and C contract to do a piece of work. A receives one third, B one fourth, and C one fifth. What does each receive, the whole amount being \$60?

Sixty dollars is the amount paid for the

the proportion of 20 for A, 15 for B, and 12

for C. We have 47:60::20:25-, A's share, \$25 47:60::15:19-. B's share, \$19-47: 60:: 12: 15-, C's share, \$15-

The sum of $25\frac{23}{47}$, $19\frac{4}{47}$, and $15\frac{13}{47}$ is 60.

No notice will be taken of anonymous communications.

This column is not an advertising me dium. No query will receive attention, the answer to which would necessitate

the advertising of any person's business Nor will any attention be given to long "strings" of questions.

Many queries are not answered because similar ones have been recently answered.

We cannot undertake to ascertain the value of old coins. For that information

write to some dealer in them.
We cannot undertake to answer queries by mail; we can only answer them through this column.
Address "Query Editor, Dispatch Office,

Richmond, Va."

NAVAL CADET CARLYLE'S GLOVE. By Iona Oakley Gorham. This is No. 10 of "Tait's Kenilworth ARCADE ECHOES. Selected

Series," and is just from the press. The author, we happen to know, is a young lady of Dallas, Texas, who was some five or six years ago a pupil of the Richmond Female Institute, of which Miss Hamner was then principal. This is, we believe, her first work, at least in book form. It is an octavo volume of 340 pages, well printed, and bound in paper. The scene of the story opens in South Caro-lina, the home for the time of the he-roine, Viva Van Velseler, who belongs to the old, but now somewhat decayed family of Carrolls in that State. Viva is the brilliant, fascinating, irresistible daughter of an artist who married into the family and died in poverty while she was yet a school girl. A maiden aunt native resources. Viva is at home for the holidays, and she plays havoc with To the Editor of the Dispatch:

What are the laws of Virginia as to hunting on pends which flow into a river, and where there is no obstacle in the way (placed there by the owner) to prevent any one from entering?

The law is that if any person, without the consent of the owner or tenant, shoot, hunt, range, fish, trap, or fowl on or in the lands, waters—mill-pends or private pends—of another, which are enclosed or the boundaries of which or the streams.

BRIEF SKETCHES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE TROOPS IN THE WAR BETWEEN THE STATES. Colwar Between The States, Col-lected and compiled by James C. Bird-song, ex-State Librarian, Printed under resolutions ratified March 6, 1833, Rai-eigh, N. C.: Josephus Daniels, State Printer and Binder, Presses of Edwards

& Broughton, 1894. These sketches include the First, Se con 1. Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twentyeighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirtyfirst, and Thirty-seventh Regiments, together with the First Battalion of Heavy Artillery, Second Battalion of Light Infantry, return of flag to Company I. Sixth Regiment North Carolina Troops, General Lane's Brigade, sketch of Henry L. Wyatt, first Confederate Martyr, Lane's Brigade Corps of Sharpshooters,

mands! Our indifference in this matter has been

formerly also the persons constituting the lowest and unrepresented classes of society, as distinguished from the commons."

2. This is the Century Dictionary's definition of "estate": One of the orders or classes into which the population of the complex of the

TENURE AND TOIL; OR, LAND, LABOR, AND CAPITAL. By John Gib-bons, LL. D. Chicago: Law-Journal Print. 316 pages.

In this (the second edition of his work) the author says: "The deplorable scenes witnessed in the course of the recent conflicts between capital and labor realize in a degree the apprehensions expressed suit of life, and create tribunals with powers adequate to the enforcement of such laws." The author's ideas are then claborated under the following general heads: "The Right of Property and the History of Tenures"; "The Origin, Growth, and Decadence of Feudal Ten-Growth, and Decadence of Feudal Tenures"; "The Right of Property and the
Stability of Tenures"; "Labor; Its
Wrongs and Their Remedies"; "Limitation of Ownership and Prohibition of
Trusts"; "Distribution of Population and
Division of Property"; "Appendix," embracing "Convict Labor," "Legislation
Proposed," "A Bill for an Act Relating
to Convict Labor," "The Encroachment

THE PEOPLE OF THE MIST. BY H. THE PEOPLE OF THE MIST. BY H. Rider Haggard, author of "Allan Quartermain," "She," "King Solomon's Mines," etc. New York: Longmans, Green & Co. 257 pages.

The author gives a very comprehen-

therein they may find some store of healthy amusement." Leonard and Tom Outram lose their inheritance through the misconduct of their father. They take an cath to make a fortune and purchase back their home, which is a magnificent seat in England, and go to East Africa in search of gold. Tom dies, but on his death-bed makes Leonard renew the oath, and tells him that a woman will help him to carry out his purpose. Leonard is induced by the story of Zoa, a woman of the "People of the Mist," who escaped from her people, to attempt the rescue of a white girl from a slave camp, his reward to be the treasures of her people, to whose mysterious country he is to be led. He rescues the girl, and, in company with Otter, a black dwarf, Zoa, a priest, and some of the girl's former slaves, he starts for the Mist country. Then follows a series of adventures, such as could only be conceived in the brain of a Haggard. There is hardly a natural situation in the book, yet it fascinates from beginning to end. Otter, the dwarf, is a philosopher, and performs prodigies of valor. The story closes with Leonard and the heroine living in the Outram home.

from the Virginia University Magazine. 1805-1890. Collected and arranged by Thomas L. Wood. Revised and enlarged by John W. Fishburne. 1856-1894. Char-lottesville: A. C. Breeher, 143 pages. The volume is dedicated to the memory the preface the reader has in it a faithful reproduction of student life, thought, and feeling under the arcades. Among

The Mosart - Dramatic Notes.

An unusually attractive and well-diver sided bill will be presented at our local a sterling English melodrama which has been successfully played through this country for the past eight years, will be Theatre to-morrow and Tuesda Mile. Rhea, supported by a strong co pany, will open a two-days' engageme at the Academy, at a special matine performance on New-Year's-day present-ing Bulwer Lytton's "Lady of Lyons." In the evening Rhea will appear in "The New Magdalene," and on Wednesday she will produce Sardou's comedy, "The Pa-risians," for the benefit of the charity

"The Stowaway" is a melodrama of striking force and stirring incidents. The story deals with the life of a son of a wealthy English gentleman, who falls from affluence to poverty through dissipation, until, at the time of the opening of the play, he has nearly lost all the of the play, he has hearly lost all the self respect he ever possessed. His better ambition is aroused by a good, pure girl, and he makes the usual promise of reformation. The villain in the case is a cousin, who will inherit the wealth of the wayward young man's father if the prodigal does not return. The well-laid plans are folled by the intervention of a faithful old servant, who has remained steadfast in his loyalty to the degrade steadast in his loyalty to the degraded son during his long absence. Upon this foundation the play is based. The pres-ence of those two celebrated ex-bur-glars, "Spike" Hennessey and "Kid" Mc-Coy, in a genuine safe-blowing act, which is an integral part of the play and, there-ters, recessory to the development of fore, necessary to the development of the plot, is a novel bit of realism which has excited a good deal of comment. The company is a strong one.

Acc.

This work of 220 pages is another proof of the wisdom which has guided North Carolina in gathering data with reference to the part which her troops bore in the late war.

North Carolina is twenty years ahead of Virginia in this matter. She has not only collected and printed the complete muster-rolis of her commands, but has published, in extenso, sketches of many of her regiments.

What has Virginia done in this line?

Next to nothing. The public did not even Next to nothing. The public did not even know until the Dispatch informed it a few months ago that we could go to Washington and for the asking get copies of the original muster-rolls of our comemploy the methods correctly, but t popularity of the play has not diminish because the traditions of Macready and Helen Taucitt (now Lady Theodore Mar-tin) are no longer observed. Rhea has all the qualifications for an ideal Pauline. The "New Magdalen" has proved to be one of the best-drawing plays in Mile. hame, and is too well known to need fur-ther description. It is notable, first, for a story of strong human interest, with-out, as its name might suggest, develop-ing any of the moral, or perhaps rather immoral, speculation of some more modern plays,

Wednesday night M'lle Rhea will appear in a new comedy entitled "The Parisians," from the pen of Victorien Sardou, and the box-office receipts will be applied for the beneat of the charity fund of the Richmond Lodge of Elks. The comedy deals with the life and customs of the Parisians at this present day, and is worked out on those delicately intri-cate lines that stamp Sardou as a masentire production one of surplines, will dancy. Rhea's support, as always, will

be good, "The Passing Show" is the latest New of extravaganza, constructed on the Farisian idea of burlesquing the dramatic successes of the year. It is from the pens of Sydney Rosenfeld and Captain Alfred Thompson, and the music is by Ludwig Englander. The piece is made up of clever travesties of current dramas and operas, specialities from the Vaudevilles, original and selected songs, and an elaborate ballet. Among the principal performers are Barney Fagan Jessie Carlisle, Laura Biggar, Burt Haverly, John Donahue, Marie Deueste, The Sisters Byron, Will S. Rising, James Horan, The Borre Family, Kate Harrison, Edna Thorne, Terishoff, Lucy Pixley, Gertrude Randolph, Adele St. John, Minnie Stella, Edna Lyle, Jeffry Lawrence, Maurice Gould. The chorus is said to be a very large one, and the scenery and costumes elaborate and handsome.

"The Two Colonels," a new combdy, from the pen of Willam Richard Goodall, of Washington, is aptiy called a "pastoral of Vermont and Virginia." It is not a war play, as the period of the story is of to-day. The two principal characters

a war play, as the period of the story is of to-day. The two principal characters are soldiers, who thirty years ago left their homes to fight, but fate, which often overrules the decrees of kings, wove around the men a circumstance of friend-ship which sectionalism could never sever. In the story this bond of brotherly love The author gives a very comprehensive criticism of his work, when in the dedication he says: "I dedicate this effort of 'primeval and trolodyte imagination', this record of barefaced and flagrant adventure, to my godsons, in the hope that therein they may find some store of healthy amusement." Leonard and Tom Outram lose their inheritance through the misconduct of their father. They take an oath to make a fortune and purchase back their home, which is a magnificent seat in England, and go to East Africa old-time actor, who, forty years ago, di-time actor, who, forty years ago, old-time actor, who, forty years ago. old-time actor, who, forty years ago, was well known as "Handsome Will Goodall.

The Columbian University Mandolin and Banjo Clubs, of Washington, D. C., will make a tour of the South during the next few weeks, and open their trip to-morrow night at the Mozart Academy of Music, supplying the 773d semi-monthly musicale. The clubs consist of fifteen

Music, supplying the 773d semi-monthly musicale. The clubs consist of fifteen men, assisted by Mr. Melville D. Hensey, vocal soloist. The following programme will be rendered:

1. March of the Pasha's Guard, (from Tabasco,) Mandolin Club; 2. Screnade of Mandolins, Mandolin Trio; 3. But One Vienna, Banjo Club; 4. Solo (selected), Mr. Melville D. Hensey; 5. Darktown Patrol, Banjo Club; 6. Cavalleria de Rusticana, Mandolin Club; 7. Angel's Serenade, violin, guitar, and mandolin; 8. Beila Mazurka, Mandolin Club; 9. German Patrol, Mandolin Club; 10. Solo (selected), Mr. Melville D. Hensey; 11. Andalusia Waltz, Mandolin Club.

Melville D. Hensey; II. Andalusia Waltz, Mandolin Club.

"The Lost Diamonds," a play in one scene and one tableau, by Mr. C. P. E. Burgwyn, of this city, who is also the author of "The Hugenot Lovers," has just been published by Messrs. Randolph & Co. It is an interesting and clever domestic sketch, which turns upon the schemes of an adventurer who personates an English nobleman and involves the family of a western millionaire. The incidents are not exactly novel, nor do the personages indicate any very painstaking study of life outside the play-house wall, but the story produces exciting situations and the closing tableau makes a very effective denoument. "The Lost Diamonds" is eminently adapted for drawing-room charades and private theatricals, for which it was undoubtedly intended.

Owing to the "phenomenal success" of "Prince Ananias" the Bostonians will shortly revive "Fatinitus."

A party of managers and newspapermen and women from New York went to Philadelphia last Monday to see Otis

the book, are easy and natural. Upon the whole, the book is bright and entertaining, and keeps up well the interest of the reader to the close.

We make a brief extract which gives a picture of a well-known Richmond educator—a picture which will be recognized with pleasure, we think, by scores of "old institute girls" all over the country.

The Stowaway, Kills Rhea, The Passing Show, and The Two Colonels to Be Sees—Card.

SOME MENUS FOR THE FIRST.

What Now York's Bost-Known Chef Re commends for New Year's Dispers.
(Correspondence of the Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, December 29.—"What
would I prepare for a New-Year dinner?"
remarked New York's best-known chef. "Well, that depends on the number of guests and the purse. For a dainty little affair with, say from five to eight persons I would make out a menu like this:

Cream of celery.
Red snappers, stuffed with oysters.
Tomatoes, stuffed with mushrooms
Graham biscuit.
Goose, stuffed with sausages and chest-

ing Show," one of the most successful of recent extravaganzas, will be at the same house for one performances of a new comedy by an American author, entitled "The Two Colonels," will be given at the Academy on Friday and Saturday.

"The Stowaway" is a malestantian author, entitled with sausages and cheanuts.

Brandy punch.

Fruit, cheese, and crackers, Coffee and liqueurs.

"That dinner might take a little time to prepare, but it is not expensive. For a larger dinner, where ten or twelve guests are expected, this would be appetizing:

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Baked stuffed perch.

Mellow potatoes.

Breasts of chickep, a la Lucullus.

String beans, a la Albani.

Pilau of mutton, French style.

Chicory, with cream.

Grouse, with apple sauce.

Lettuce salad.

Pincapole fritters.

Pineapple fritters.
Ice-cream, with walnuts. "How is this bisque of lobster pre-pared?" I asked Deimonico's chef, and he gave me this recipe, which any good cook can prepare:
"If an amount for ten people is to be prepared, cut twelve records."

prepared, cut twelve pounds of lobster in two, break the claws, sprinkle over some butter and cook them on a baking sheet in a hot oven for twenty-five minsheet in a hot oven for twenty-five minutes. Remove them and suppress the
largest shells; pound the meat with an
equal quantity of plain, boiled rice, season with salt, pepper, and curry, and
when it is reduced to a paste, dilute it
with broth, strain through a sieve and
warm up the soup without boiling; thicken it with hard-boiled egg yolks pounded
with four ounces of butter, and mix
in a pint of cream."

For a large dinner where the hostess is
laying the table for eighteen or twenty
people, a more elaborate menu has to
be thought up. This one advised by a
chef seems admirable:

Purce of carrots, a la crecy.

Puree of carrots, a la crecy, Fresh codfish, a la Norwegian, Potato cakes. Tenderloin of beef. Sweetbreads.
Green peas, English style.
Canvas back duck, with samp.

Lettuce. Ice-cream morisse, with maraschino. Nuts and raisins.

"And this puree of carrots, a la crecy? I queried, "how do you prepare it?"
"You must use the red parts of the carrots only for this soup. Mince two pounds of the vegetable, cutting them with a knife into thin, lengthwise slices. Put two ounces of butter into a sauce-pan on the fire, and when it begins to heat, add to it two ounces of onlons and fry for one instant; then add the red fry for one instant; then add the red carrots and continue to fry slowly, with-out letting it brown; moisten with three quarts of broth, salt; add a bunch of pars-ley, celery, and bag-leaf, and boil until the carrots are entirely done; then put in half a pound of rice previously blanched and cooked in consomme, drain and mash carrots and rice. Moisten the puree with broth until thin enough, stir constantly, bearing on the bottom to prevent puree from adhering; let boil twenty minutes, remove seum and fat as soon as it apfrom adhering; let boil twenty minutes, remove soum and fat as soon as it appears, season with salt and sugar, and when ready to serve, put slowly in two ounces of butter, stirring soup until butter melts.

"This," he added, "takes time, as the only quality for its success, but it is decidedly.

months—halfout, perch, red-snapper from the Gulf, salmon from Oregon, Ameri-can turbot, scallops, and terrapin. H. H.

The Norfolk Pilot, in conformity to a recent announcement of its purpose, makes elreumstantial charges of fraud and corruption against Mr. John E. Massey, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and also charges Governor O'Ferrall with gross neglect of official duty, as a member of the State Board of Education, in countenancing fraudulent contracts negotiated by Mr. Massey with the American Book Trust. Governor O'Ferrall has promptly announced his purpose to take the matter to the courts and also states his intention to order a searching investigation of the s. Indaious charges against the board. This is tight, and was to have been expected.

The News was not friendly to Colonel O'Ferrall's guoernatorial aspirations, but it believes he is making an industrious effort to discharge his executive functions honesely and acceptably.

Moreover, we believe any intimation of misconduct levelled at Governor O'Ferrall in connection with the semblance of foundation in fact. We believe this will be the verdict of the people in advance of any inquiry, and that this opinion will not be shaken by the fullest disclosure of all the circumstances related to the school-book contracts.

Indeed, the charges, as they affect the Governor, are not of a sufficiently serious nature to justify a libel suit. The grave indictment is specifically directed at Mr. Massey, who will no doubt meet it vigorously at every point.

(The Lynchburg Advance.)

The Advance does not believe for an instant that Governor O'Ferrall is properly amenable to the slightest criticism in connection with this matter, and we are glad to note that he proposes to institute suit for libel, in order to test the question so far as he is involved, directly or indirectly, in the charges, We are sure that such action will result in his entire vindication from every aspersion that has been made. Attorney-General Scott is not specially criticised. We do not believe a purer man ever lived. The charges of corruption are manifestly almed at Mr. Massey, and, of course, that gentle

The Nautch Girl of Tanjore.

(All the Year Round.)

The serpent dance, winding through a sinuous maze of gliding measures, appears almost a transformation or reincarnation of the performer into the cobrawhich she represents. Instincts inherited from bygone generations of Nautch dancers combine with close obversation of nature to produce miraculous results. The Nautch girl lives to please, and labors for that end, with the success which attends the unwearied pursuit of one absorbing object. Universal influence and rascination still belong to her, though in a narrower range than of old, and the dancer of Tanjore who concentrates the whole force of her genlus upon the requirements of her art differs as much from the ordinary Nautch girl of India as masteriates of Emphael from the sign-

THE NORTHERN NECK A

HOW THE HOLIDAYS ARE ENJOYED IN THIS FAVORED SECTION.

t in a Ducking-Blind-Shipping Fac-ties for Trucking Needed-The Gale on the Potomac.

(Correspondence of the Dispatch.)
COMORN, KING GEORGE COUNTY
VA., December E.—The sombrous silence
of last Tuesday's dawn was broken by the firing of thousands of guns, which school through the pine-clad forests from river to river, and from that hour the country folks have been "full of Christmas"—some few full of eggnog and hot out-of-call participations in special planting in special planting. pot—all participating in special pleasures and festivities mapped out many months ago, each playing the part best suited to his own peculiar tastes and notions. Christmas-trees, Sunday-school treats and celebrations, religious services, &c.,

have drawn crowds to the churches and chapels during the week, and such services have in all cases been interesting.

Parties, plays, dances, &c., have been
the general order among the lads and lassies inclined to mirth and gayety, while sies inclined to mirth and gayety, while hundreds of men and boys have spent the week with guns and dogs, tramping over hills and valleys, and trudging through marsh and jumble in pursuit of fox, squirrel, rabbit, and partridge. And though the week has been a quiet one here, a majority of our people have spent a very pleasant Christmas. "John Barleycorn," as usuaf, entered a home here and there, dethroned reason, transformed father and husband into brutes, and cast a shadow of gloom over innocent, helpiess hearts, making Christmas, to these exceptionally few, an occasion of bitter anguish, of all others most dreaded.

RECOVERY PROBABLE.

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To the surprise of the whole community, Mr. Richard L. Sullavin, whose critical illness was mentioned in this correspondence last week, has so much improved that his recovery seems quite probable. The surgical operation performed on him by Dr. M. W. Minor, of this place, was the most delicate, difficult, and successful case of surgery ever attempted in this section of the country, or, perhaps, anywhere outside of a hospital or institute. This and other marvellous successes in surgery and medicine have won for Dr. Minor a reputation rarely attained by a country practitioner, especially by one so young in years.

A gentleman from Washington, D. C., was accidentally shot one day tast week while duck-hunting on the Potomac, and died immediately on his arrival in Washington several hours afterwards. He, in company with several friends, was secreted in a "bilind" within easy gun-shot of the ducking-grounds, and just as one of the party raised his gun a twig caught the hammer of the firearm, causing a premature discharge, which sent the entire load of shot into the body of the unfortunate man. RECOVERY PROBABLE.

RAPID TRANSIT NEEDED.

The Rappahannock Valley has developed The Rappahannock Valley has developed into one of the finest trucking sections of the country, and the need of shipping facilities direct to Philadelphia has long since become obvious and elicited public interest. Several counties along the Rappahannock river have appointed able committees to meet in conference and consider the plausibility of establishing a steamboat line from this trucking section to Cane Charles, and there connect with steamboat line from this trucking section to Cape Charles, and there connect with the Philadelphia railroad. The latest in-telligence indicates a strong probability of such a line materializing. Such an enor such a line materials.

terprise would not only meet with very general public favor, but would incalculably facilitate the trucking industry, which has already assumed enormous proportions, and further develop the spiendid resources and capabilities of this fertile Mrs. Jemima Mountjoy, of this county,

left last week for New York and other large cities, where she will spend the Mr. B. S. Minor, attorney at law, of Washington, D. C., is spending the holi-days with his parents at this place. SMALL-POX SCARE.

It was rumored last week that there

was a case of small-pox in the lower end of this county, and the report caused quite a sensation in the neighborhood.

Later it was supposed that the rumor grew out of the reported case at Warsaw, and our people partially "settled down" from the scare, but it was said yesterday that a colored small-pox patient came down from Washington some days ago and went to a house in the county. The report will be investigated without delay, and suitable steps taken. The gale of Wednesday and Thursday of this week interfered considerably with navigation on the Potomac river. Many small sail vessels, oyster-sloops, &c., were caught out of harbor, and, anticipating a freeze, struggled mightily to reach their destination and unload, but had to succeeding well, had to suspend operations

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ceeding well, had to suspend operations this week on account of stormy weather. The United States mails on several routes were somewhat behind time on Thursday, being delayed by ice and snow.

POOR MAIL FACILITIES. The Dispatch and other newspapers are sometimes a day or two behind time here, and occasionally a subscriber does not get his paper at all. The impression prevails that this is due to unpardonable carelessness somewhere, and it certainly subjects subscribers to no inconsiderable inconvenience and disappointment. Sleighing was right good here on Thursday, and the young folks enjoyed the day immensely, notwithstanding the high wind and the fact that the mercury alipped down to 25 degrees.

Our charitable people have looked nobly after their poor and needy neighbors, and always every destitute family and

and almost every destitute family and individual have been provided for. WORLD'S FAIR MEDAL MME M. YALE, THE EXCESSION HAIR TONIC.
GRAY HAIR RESTORED.
FALLING HAIR STOPPED.



BALD HEADS COVERED.

For the first time in the history of the world a discovery is made that restores gray hair to its natural color without dye. Mims. M. Yale, that most wonderful woman chemist and great scientist, is the discoverer. The Excelsior Hair Tonic is the remedy. Mime. Yale has placed it on the market for the benefit of the public, and guarantees it will restore the natural color back to the hair no matter how long it has been gray. The cure is permanent in every way. It will also stop falling hair in from twenty-four hours to one week. It restores the hair on baid heads, and creates a luxuriant growth. It is a guaranteed cure for every aliment of the hair or scalp. The whole world bows down to Mime. Yale's discovery and to ner great skill as a chemist, which has never been equalled by man or woman. The Excelsion Hair Tonic holds compicte away over the human hair. There are no aliments which the hair is heir to that it cannot cure. Beware of initations. See that every bottle is labelled "Mime. M. Yale's Excelsion Hair Tonic, Guaranteed to Restore Gray Hair Without Dye." Price il per hottle: six for S. Sold by all druggists. Mall orders promptly filled by MME. M. YALE, Chicago.

A TLANTIC COAST LINE MOND AND PETERSBUR ROAD TIME-TABLE. commencing SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, TRAINS SOUTHWARD.

TRAINS NORTHWARD.

Nos. 22 45, 46, and 25 make no stops.
No. 402 stops on signal at Reams, Stony
Creek, Jarratts, and Beineld. No. 402 stops
on signal at Drewry's Centralis, Chester,
Reams, Stony Creek, Jarratts, and Heifield. Nos. 23, 34, and 75 stop on signal at
Manchester, Drewry's, Centralia, and
Chester. Nos. 30, 42, 48, 51, and 35 will
stop on signal at all stations.
Pullman Palace Buffet Sleeping-Car on
all through trains. On trains Nos. 25
and 30 Sleeping-Cars between Richmond
and Lynchburg, Va.

NEW LINE TO ATLANTA, GA, Leaving Richmond at 12:33 A. M., daily, and arriving at Weldon at 2:48 A. M., and at Atlanta at 5:09 P. M. via S. A. L. Through sleepers-Richmond to Atlanta.

THE ONLY ALL-RAIL LINE TO NOR-

HE ONLY AIM-RAIL LINE TO NONFOLK.

Richmond. *5:00 A.M. Norfolk... 11:25 A.M.
Richmond. *5:10 P.M. Norfolk... 8:45 P.M.
Norfolk... *5:00 A.M. Richmond. 11:05 A.M.
Norfolk... *5:00 A.M. Richmond. 11:06 A.M.
Norfolk... *4:35 P.M. Richmond. 7:00 P.M.
The trains leaving Richmond at 9 A. M.
and Norfolk at 4 P. M. are solid trains
between these two points, and passengers
go through without change of cars.
Trains leaving Richmond at 9 A. M.
and 11:40 P. M., and arriving at Richmond
at 8:25 A. M. 8:20 P. M., make close connection at Petersburg to and from Farmville, Lyrichburg, and west.
E. T. D. MYERS, General Sup't.
T. M. EMERSON, Traille Manager.
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CHESAPEAKE MUTE OHIO RAILWAY EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 2, 1894.

TRAINS LEAVE RICHMOND, BROAD STREET STATION.

STREET STATION.

8:50 A. M. Daily, with Parlor-car, for Norfolk, Portsmouth, Old Point, Newport News, and local stations.

8:00 P. M. Daily, with Pullman, for local stations, Pullman, for local stations, Newport News, Old Point, Norfolk, and Portsmouth.

8:20 A. M. Local train, except Sunday, for Clifton Forge, Connects at Gordonsville for Washington, at Virginia Midland Junction for Lynchburg, at Basic for Hagerstown, and at Staunton for Winchester.

2:20 P. M. The Cincinnati and St. Louis Limited, daily, with Pullman Sleepers to Cincinnati and St. Louis, Stops only at important stations, Meals served on Dining-Cars.

No. 7, Local Train, except Sunday, Accommodation for Charlottesville to Goshen.

6:30 P. M. Local train, except Sunday, Accommodation for Charlottesville.

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Daily, for Cincinnati, with Pullman to Hinton, and Gordonsville to Cincinnati and Louisville. Meals served on Dining-Cars. Connects at Covington, Va., on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays for Virginia Hot Springs. TRAINS LEAVE EIGHTH-STREET STATION.

8:45 A. M. Daily, for Lynchburg and Clifton Forge, Connects at Bremo, except Sunday, for Rosney; at Lynchburg, daily, with Norfolk and Western for the Southwest, and with Southern Railway for North and South; at Balcony, daily, for Lexington, and at W. Clifton Forse with main line for Cinchnati. daton for Columbia.

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Point.
8:00 P. M. Except Sunday; from Clifton
Forge.

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SEABOARD AIR-LINE

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT SUNDAY, DE-CEMBER 13, 1894. No. 403. No. 23. Daily. Daily. nond 12:33 A.M. 9:05 A.M. S. A. L.

Ar. Durham Ar. Charlotte 10:00 A.M. 10:00 P.M Ar. Augusta 3:35 P.M. 11:20 A.M. Ar. Macon 7:50 P.M. 4:09 P.M. 5:20 A.M. Ar. Atlanta

Ar. Atlanta (499 P.M., 5:29 A.M., No. 23, daily for Atlanta and points beyond with through Pullman service. No. 483, "Vestibuled Limited Train," Buffet Sieepers. Richmond to Atlanta. Close connections at Atlanta for New Orleans and all points South and Southwest; and at New Orleans with the Southern Pacific and Texas and Pacific railroads to all Texas points. No extra charge on "Vestibuled Trains."

rallroads to All total trains."

ARRIVE RICHMOND.

No. 402, "Atlanta Special Vestibuled Limited Train," 6:40 A. M., daily.
No. 78, Mail and Express, 6:35 P. M., daily.
For tickets, Pullman reservations, &c., apply to H. D. Owen, Ticket Agent, Byrd-Street station; Richmond Transfer Company, 901 east Main street, and Company's Office, 836 east Main street, and Company's Office, 836 east Main street, and Company's Office, 836 east Main street, General Manager.
T. J. ANDERSON, General Passenger Agent, H. M. BOYKIN, City Passenger Agent, 836 east Main street.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOVEMBER

18, 1894.

RICHMOND, BYRD-STREET STATION.

M Daily-Richmond and Norfolk VESTIBULE LIMITED—Arrive Norfolk 11:25 A. M. Stops only at Petersburg, Waverly, and Suffolk. Second-class tickets not accepted for passage on this train.

M Daily, "THE CHICAGO EX-PRESS," TO Lynchburg, koanoke, Bluefield, Pocahontas, Kenova, Columbus, and Chicago, Pullman Buffet Siesper Roanoke to Columbus without change; also, for Radford, Bristol, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and intermediate points.

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4:00 P. M. Leaves Byrd-Street Station.
Arrives at Fredericksburg at
6:00 A. M. Arrives at Byrd-Street Station. Leaves Fredericksburg
6:00 A. M.
ASHLAND TRAINS.
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.
6:42 A. M. Leaves Elba. Arrives at Ashland at 7:24 A. M.
6:20 P. M. Leaves Elba. Arrives at Ashland at 7:12 P. M.
6:04 P. M. Arrives at Elba. Leaves Ashland at 6:00 A. M.
6:04 P. M. Arrives at Elba. Leaves Ashland at 5:18 P. M.
C. A. TAYLOR, Traffic Manager.
E. T. D. MYERS, Gen'l Sup't. no 16

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

(PIEDMONT AIR-LINE). CONDENSED SCHEDULE IN EFFECT DECEMBER 2, 1894.

TRAINS LEAVE RICHMOND, VA., 12:40 A. M., SOUTHERN EXPRESS, daily

12:40 A. M., SOUTHERN EXPRESS, daily for Danville, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Steepers Richmond, Va., to Danville and Salisbury. Connects with the Florida Limited (No. 35), carrying siespers to Augusta, Jacksonville, Tampa, and St. Augustine, and with the Washington and Southwestern Vestibuled Limited (No. 37), carrying sleepers Danville to Asheville and Hot Springs, Atland. Birmingham, Memphis, and World Birmingham, Memphis, and Memphis and New Charles of the Hornia, Richmond passengers at 17:30 A. M. Steeper open for passengers at 2:30 P. M., FAST MAH, daily, for Atlanta and points South. Connects of Moseley with Farmville and Powhatan ruhroad; at Keyaville for Clarks-ville, Oxford, Henderson, and Durham, and at Greensboro for Durham, Raleigh, and

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Durham, and at Greensboro'
for Durham, Raielgh, and
Winston-Salem, Carries sleepers New York to Atlanta and
Montgomery, and from New
York to Jacksonville, ParlorCar Atlanta to Birmingham.
6:00 P. M., LOCAL dally, except Sunday,
for Keyswille, and intermediate
points.

YORK-RIVER LINE, VIA WEST POINT. THE FAVORITE ROUTE NORTH. LEAVE RICHMOND.

TRAIN No. 10, 3:20 P. M.
LOCAL EXPRESS, daily. Stops at
at stations, At Lester Manor connects with stage for Welkerton;
also, at West Point with York-river
steamers for Baltimore.
Steamers leave Baltimore at 4 P. M.,
and West Point 5:20 P. M., daily, except
Sunday.

and West Point 5:30 P. M., daily, except Sunday.

Trains from West Point arrive at Richmond at 10:40 A. M., daily, and at 8:30 P. M., daily, except Sunday.

TRAIN No. 44, 6:00 A. M.

LOCAL MIXED, daily, except Sunday, leaves Twenty-third street for West Point and intermediate points.

Ticket-office at station, foot of Virginia street. Open from 8:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M., and from 9:00 P. M. to 12:50 A. M.

J. M. CULP,

Traffic Manager. General Pass, Ag't.
W. H. GREEN, General Manager.

J. S. B. THOMPSON, Superintendent.
JOHN M. BEALL, Travelling Passenger Agent, 220 cast Main street, Richmond, Va.

DEPARTURE OF STEAMERS. VIRGINIA NAVIGATION
COMPANY'S JAMES-RIVE R
LINE to Norfolk, Portsmouth, Old Point,
Newport News, Claremont, and Jamesriver landings, and connecting at Old
Point and Norfolk for Washington, Balti-Newport News, Chremon, and Connecting at Old Point and Norfolk for Washington, Baltimore, and the North.

STEAMER POCAHONTAS LEAVES MONDAY, WEDNISDAY, AND FRIDAY AT 7 A. M. Electric-cars direct to wharf. Fare only 91.50 and \$1 to Norfolk, Portsmouth, Old Point, and Newport News. Music by a Grand Orchestrion.

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Freight for Tuesday's and Friday steamers received till sailing hour; I Sunday's steamer till 5 P. M. Saturds Freight received daily until 5 P. M. Fare, R. For turther information apply to For further information apply to J. W. McCARRICK, General Southern Agent; office, Rocketts

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